ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU'RE GLAD THAT HE WAS KILLED?

IN SOCIETY, THERE ARE THOSE WHO PROVE TO BE MORE USEFUL WHEN THEY'RE DEAD

AND HE'S ONE OF THOSE HAPPY FEW

TEA

茶

BUT OF COURSE, I DO PITY THE OTHER VICTIMS

-THANKS-

SO, IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANTED?

APART FROM THE MATTER OF CLEANING THAT MESS OVER THERE

I SAID I WANTED TO FIND END

CHAPTER 5: DOUBT

I'VE BEEN HEARING THAT THEY'VE ACTUALLY BEEN STUMPED AS OF LATE

I JUST DON'T FEEL ANY CONFIDENCE IN THE DETECTIVES AT THE MOMENT

AIN'T THAT THE POLICE'S JOB

HUH?

YOU LOOK WEIRD WITH THAT SMILE

HAHA ...

IS THAT IGARASHI CHICK AMONG THEM?

ANY-THING'S BETTER THAN NOTHING!

I KNOW IT'S TOUGH MAN, BUT YOU JUST NEED TO BE PATIENT

THERE'S NO WAY SOMEONE LIKE YOU CAN DO A BETTER JOB THAN THE POLICE WHO LIVE FOR THIS KINDA THING

IS YOUR TRUE GOAL FINDING END BEFORE THE COPS DO?

.....

YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO BOTHERED TO COME

I SEE

HAVE YOU RECEIVED CONTACT FROM THE FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE OTHER-

NOPE

WELL THEN ... THANKS FOR EVERYTHING

SEE YA

HMM?
?
MR. WAKASA!
!
WE'RE FROM THE GO GO SHOW
WE WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE END SERIAL MURDERS

MR. KYOUJI WAKASA

YOU ARE

STOP! CUT THE CAMERA!

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE 'DONATION' FIRST

'END' AREN'T YOU ?

.....

... HUH?

!?

I'M END ?

HEH

A PSYCHOLOGIST UNDER THE NAME OF KANAME HIGUCHI HAD ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WAS A HIGH POSSIBILITY OF YOU BEING THE CULPRIT

IN THE PREVIOUS INTERVIEW YOU HAD STATED THE FOLLOWING

→I'M GLAD HE'S DEAD←

→I'D LIKE TO THANK END←

AS WELL AS OTHER DISCER= NING INFO

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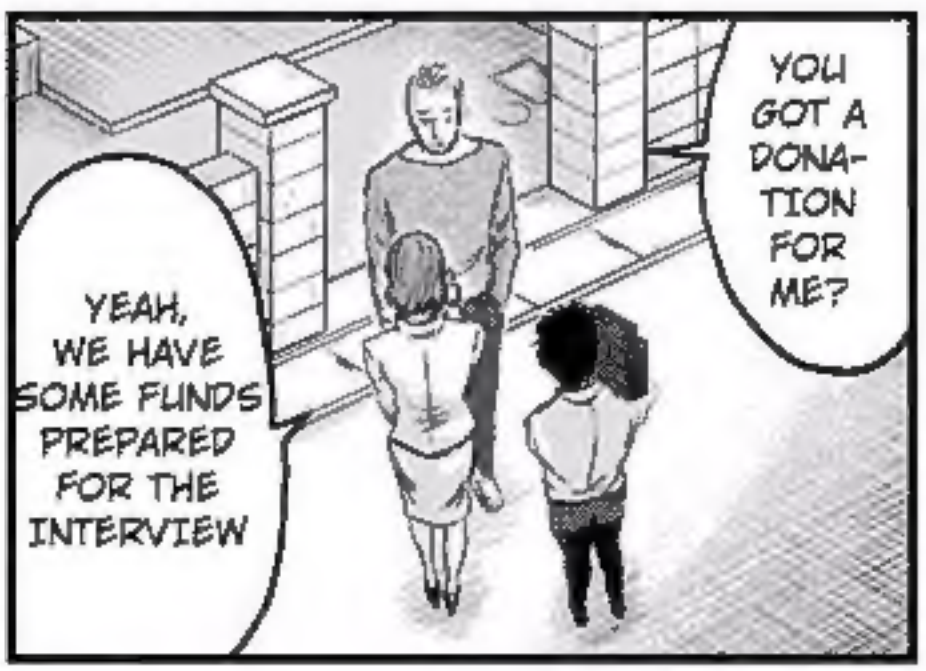
IT'S ONLY NATURAL FOR YOU TO DENY IT, ISN'T IT?


YEAH, WE HAVE SOME FUNDS PREPARED FOR THE INTERVIEW
YOU GOT A DONA-TION FOR ME?

"SIGH"

.....

COME IN

FOR NOW, LET'S FOCUS ON SEARCHING IN THE PREMISES THAT MR. TACHIBANA WORKED ON RECENTLY

IT SHOULD BE ENOUGH FOR NOW TO SEARCH THE PLACE WHERE WE FOUND THE SKELETON

2 DAYS LATER

高相根警察署

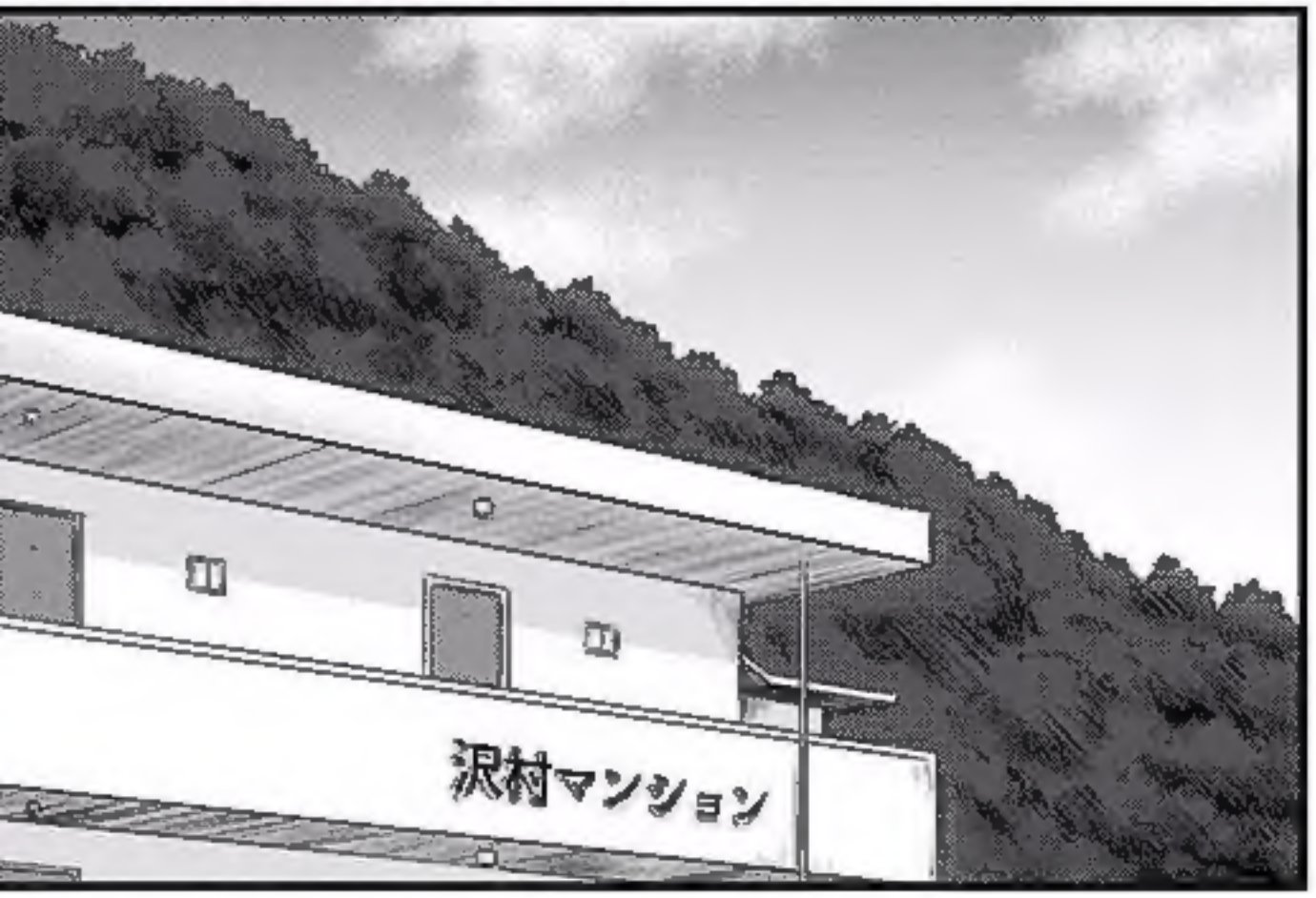
THAT'S WHAT IT SAYS ON THE LIST

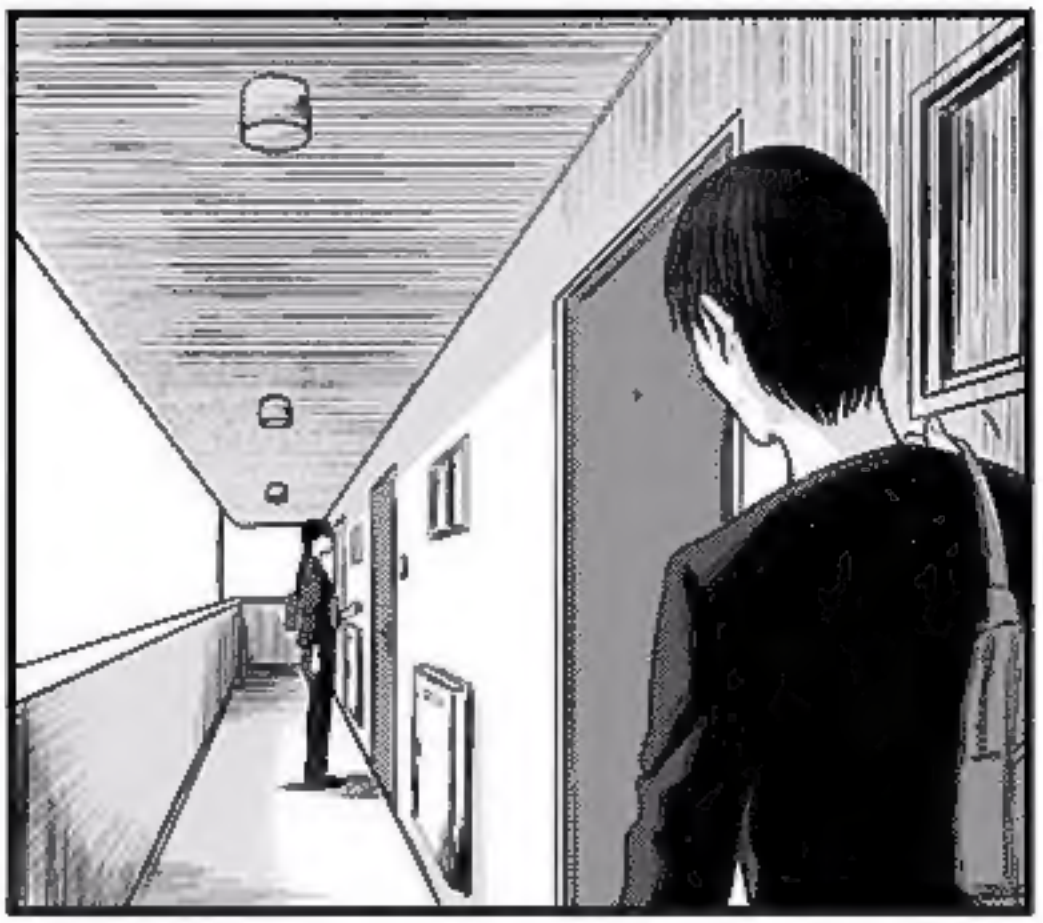
OKAY, NOW EVERYONE PICK THEIR ROLES IN THIS SEARCH

UNDER-STOOD

LET'S PICK WHAT SECTIONS WE'LL BE COVERING

ROUTE END 1





HOW CAN I BE OF HELP?

I WAS NEARBY FROM THE POLICE STATION AND WAS JUST PASSING BY THE NEIGHBOUR-HOOD

BUT I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU'RE ACTUALLY HERE

THIS PLACE IS INCLU-DED IN THE LIST

OH ...

WE'RE CURRENTLY SEARCHING THE HOMES THAT MR. TACHIBANA HAS WORKED ON RECENTLY

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IT MAKES SENSE THAT THIS PLACE WOULD BE INCLUDED

I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THERE IS ENOUGH SPACE BETWEEN THE FLOOR TO STORE SOMETHING OF THAT SIZE

I WAS WONDERING TO MYSELF WHETHER OR NOT THERE WAS ALSO A SKELETON HERE AND I WAS TRYING OUT SOME ECHOLOCATION TO SEE IF THERE WAS

NO, I DON'T NEED TO BOTHER WITH THAT.

I'VE ALREADY CHECKED THE DESIGN PLANS AND THERE WASN'T ENOUGH SPACE FOR THERE TO BE SOMETHING HIDDEN

ARE YOU GOING TO PICK OFF THE FLOOR-BOARDS?

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AFTER OUR CHAT THE OTHER DAY, LOOKING AT THAT DOOR KNOB MADE ME START TO THINK ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS...

I ALSO HAVE A YOUNGER BROTHER...

HUH?

I'M SORRY FOR MAKING YOU FEEL THAT WAY

.....

WELL THEN, I'LL BE ON MY WAY. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME IN

NO PROBLEM

THERE'S NO WAY THAT KYOUJI WAKASA CAN BE THE KILLER...

PHEW ...

HUH!?

ARE YOU LEAVING THAT WAY!?

WELL

THIS WAS ALWAYS THE PATH THAT I USED WHEN VISITING MY BROTHER

HUH?

I'M COMING TOO!

WAIT!

I SEE ...

I WANTED TO WALK DOWN HERE SOME TIME AGO

ALONG THIS PATH

IT LEADS TO THE POLICE STATION

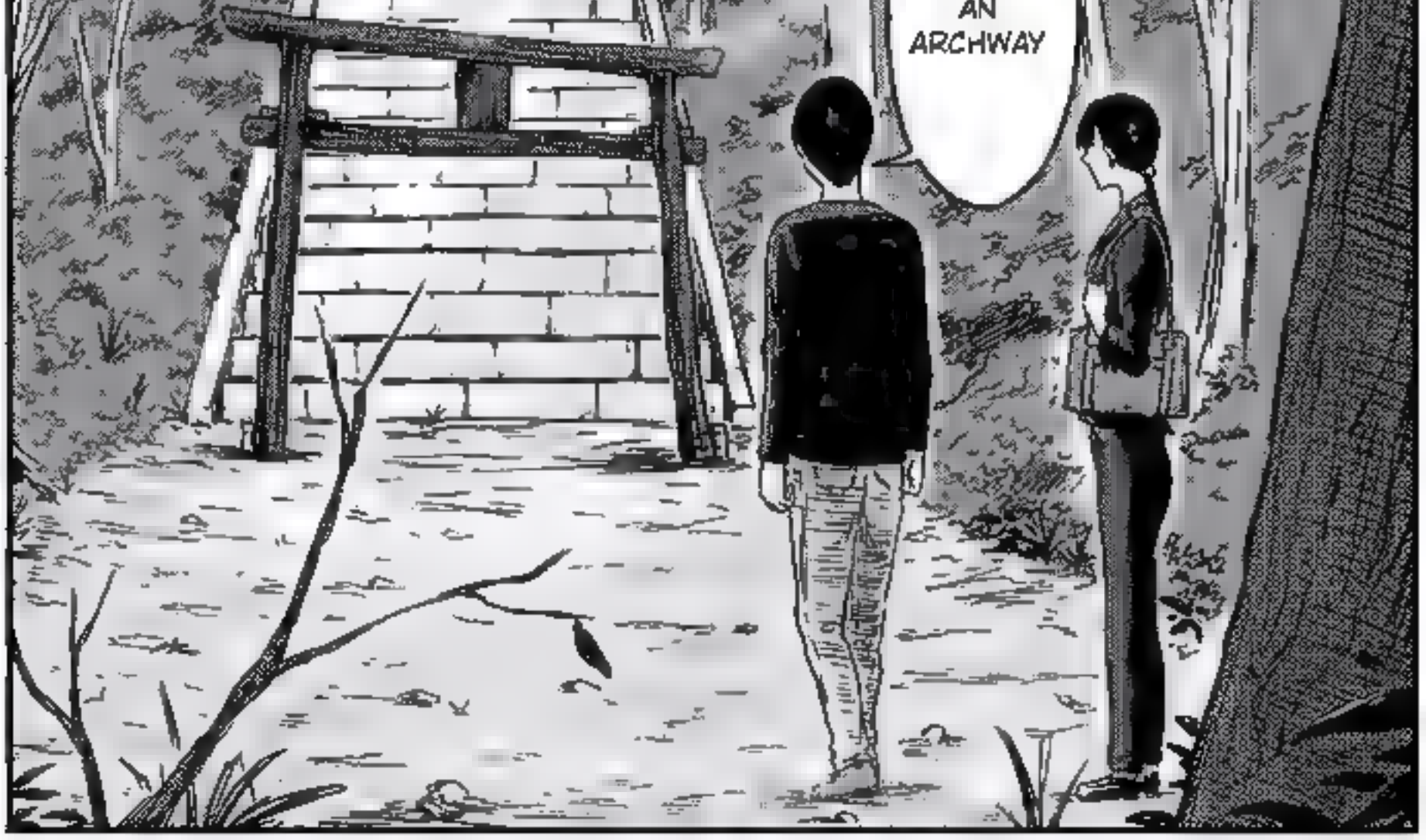
WHERE DOES THIS PATH LEAD TO?

GOT-CHA

ROUTE END 1

HMM

AN ARCHWAY



BUT HAVEN'T YOU PASSED BY HERE BEFORE!?
ESPECIALLY AFTER YOU SAYING THAT YOU PASSED BY HERE WHEN VISITING YOUR BROTHER

WHO KNOWS
WHAT KIND OF SHRINE IS THIS?

YOU'RE NO FUN!

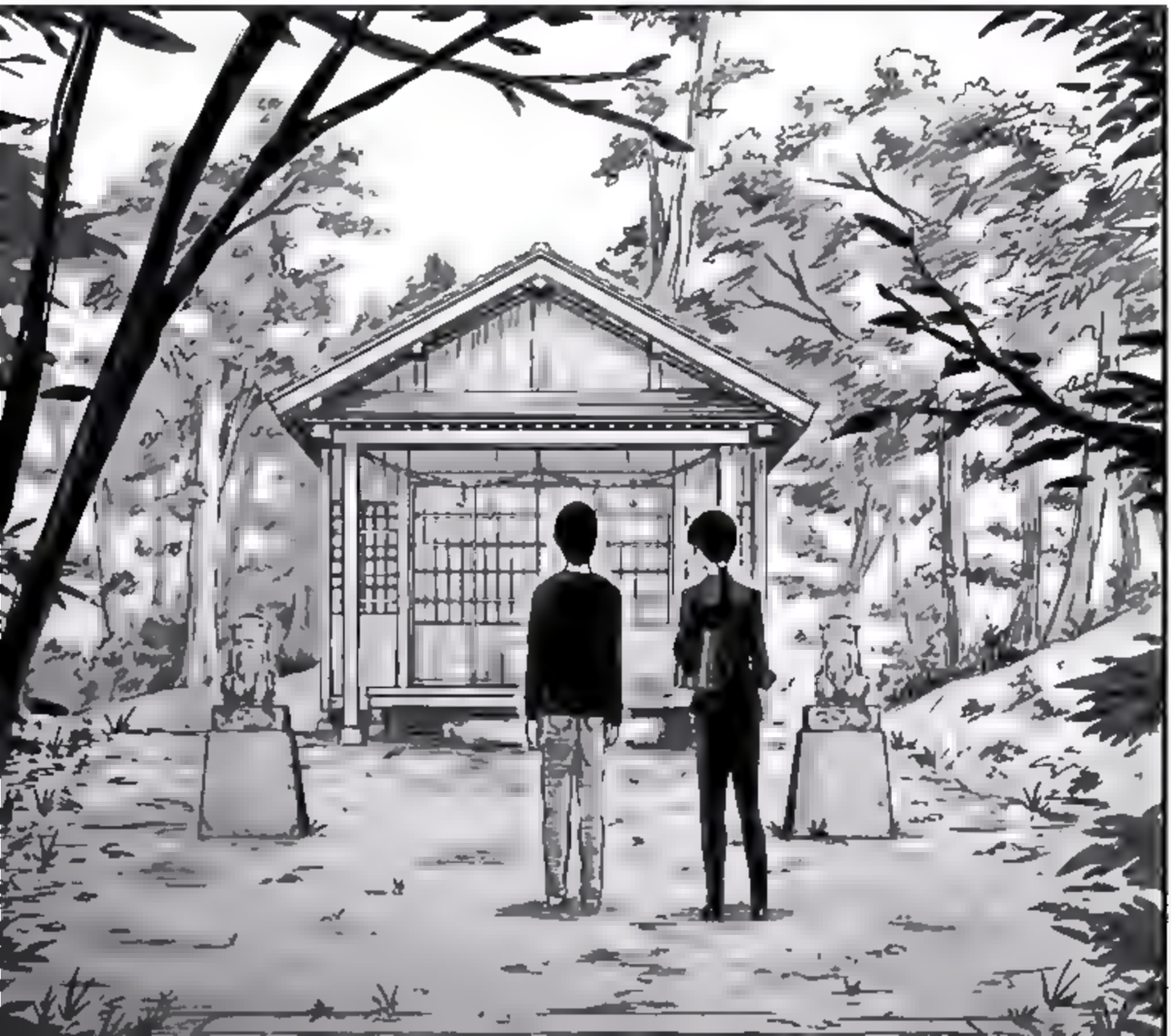
THAT'S TRUE...BUT I DIDN'T HAVE ANY BUSINESS HERE

I REALLY WORRY WHEN YOU SAY IT LIKE THAT...

I DO HAVE WORK TO DO JUST SO YOU KNOW

YOU COMING ALONG?

ROUTE END 1



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WHAT ARE THE CHARAC-TERS WRITTEN ON HERE?

THESE SHRINE DOGS LOOK BIZARRE

!?

FU

HUH!?

WHAT'S SHE SO EXCITED ABOUT ALL OF A SUDDEN

ROUTE END 1

!?

A HANGING!?

UGH

GASP

GASP

!

ARE YOU OKAY!?

ROUTE END 1

HEY WAIT UP!
PLEASE!
PLEASE WAIT!
UWAHHH HHHHH!
IS SOMETHING THE MATTER?
!?

HUH ...

WHAT ...

?

ROUTE END

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